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## Press Release

## SECRETARY APPOINTS INTERIM DIRECTOR AT HOWARD COUNTY DSS

Baltimore, MD (July 23, 2004) – DHR Secretary Christopher J. McCabe today appointed Ms. Doris Mason as interim director of the Howard County Department of Social Services.

Ms. Mason is currently the assistant director for Services at the county's department of social services. She provides leadership to Child Welfare and Adult Services programs. She previously served as the assistant director for Family Investment with the Caroline County Department of Social Services.

Secretary McCabe worked with Howard County Executive James Robey regarding the identification of an interim director. Ms. Mason's appointment will take effect upon Mr. Marshall's retirement on July 30, 2004.

"I thank Sam for his commitment to helping those most in need. Sam has been a fixture in human services in Howard County for nearly three decades and has been a good friend to me – both in my current position as Secretary and my former role as State Senator from Howard County. I am most grateful for his willingness to assist the local agency and the central staff during this transition period," said Secretary McCabe.

"With input from Sam and the County Executive, we have identified a person with a proven track record and intimate knowledge of the agency. Ms. Mason is talented and proficient with a history of innovative program development, budget and resource management," stated McCabe.

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